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Hongkong, March 30, 1908.

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POLITICAL TURMOIL.

Risky Time for the New Premier.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, February 25.

Parliament is disturbed not only in its atmosphere this week, but also in its outlook. There are the usual signs of denouement in the Liberal ranks, and they are more visible than usual. There is a little Navy party of extreme radicals, and a big Navy party of Liberal Imperialists.

There is education, Irish, and licensing discussion to be faced, and the Premier is laid up again with influenza. "In this last item lies most of the trouble, as a matter of fact. The absence of the Premier from the House of Commons is at all times troublesome in the despatch of business, but just now it is more than usually so. C. B. is liked and trusted by both sides, to a great degree, and his influence often makes for peace when there would be war. Now that he is away from the front bench there is ample evidence that the House wants a strong guiding hand.

I do not know what will happen in the near future, but it seems certain that his health will force the Premier to give up his office, much as it will be against his will, and against the desire of the House, apart from his illness. It is rumored that he will go to the Lords, but that may be doubted, I think. I know he was once questioned on the subject and he replied: "Do you not remember what Sir William Harcourt said when offered a pension?—'I prefer to remain an English gentleman.' Well, I am a Scotchman, but there were many things on which Harcourt and I were agreed."

However, much water has flowed under the bridge since then and it may well be that his attitude has changed. It will not be surprising if before this letter reaches you, at any rate, the reins have been taken over by Mr. Asquith. The extreme radicals will kick but they are unable to put up Mr. Lloyd George, who is their hope, with any chance of success, and the other alternative, Sir Edward Grey, is little more to their taste than Mr. Asquith. As a matter of fact, the chief objection to Mr. Asquith is his legal attitude of mind. He appears cold and dispassionate, and that does not suit the ardent spirits below the gangway. Yet he is a thoroughly sound politician and a finished debater.

Whoever takes the Premiership will have much to put up with. C. B. went through with it more easily than most men, because of his geniality and urbanity. But there are noisy spirits in the camp who are likely to be more troublesome to any other leader.

On Wednesday night, for instance, the infant terrible of the Liberal side, Mr. H. C. Lee, got in another whack at the sale of titles. He denounced the giving of titles to men who have contributed heavily to party funds as corrupt, degrading and base, and he accused the Conservative party of hawking titles about the city, the price of a passage being as high as £100,000. He admitted, however, that his own side was very bit as wicked, for they had many peers while tolling the country that they wished to abolish the House of Lords altogether. Mr. Lee is a slinger of hard words, and can never keep out of a tempting row. He talked of political hypocrisy and corruption, but the House, in a spirit of mischief, just laughed. He is a soldier who must fight, even if with his own side.

Nothing practical came of the debate, but there will be an aftermath of trouble between Mr. Lee and Sir Randal Crumer, the aged apostle of peace, at whom Mr. Lee pointed the finger of scorn, alleging that he professed opinions contrary to the distribution of titles and titles within a few months took one himself. Very likely if the adage "Cherchez la femme" were applied in this case it would explain the change of attitude, but anyway the knight is angry and threatens things. And the spectacle of Mr. Lee as the sole guardian of political purity is not sufficiently impressive for the "Mighty" to stand aside and bow its head in shame.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of YUN JOOJUNG SIN, Deceased.

WHEREAS a certain sum in the year 1893 deposited by the above named YUN JOOJUNG SIN (believed to be of Chinese nationality) with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in the Colony of Hongkong, AND WHEREAS the said YUN JOOJUNG SIN is believed to have since died AND WHEREAS the said sum together with certain accretions of interest thereon now stand to the credit of the Estate of the said deceased in the books of the Official Administrator of the Colony kept in the Registry of the Supreme Court of the said Colony AND WHEREAS on the 13th day of March, 1908, by an Order of the said Court it was ordered (inter alia) that advertisements be inserted in certain newspapers giving notice of the facts above related relative to the death of the said YUN JOOJUNG SIN and of the aforesaid deposit by him: NOW IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that if no claimant appears within twelve months of the date hereof to claim such funds as aforesaid, such funds will be transferred to the revenue of the said Colony under the Provisions of 'The Unclaimed Estates Ordinance, 1895' (No. 1 of 1895).

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Dated the 16 day of April, 1908.
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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1908.

THE NEW HEALTH ORDINANCE.

It was not our intention to deal

further with the new Health Ordinance

until the matter came on for discussion

at the Sanitary Board meeting which,

it had been arranged, should have

a special afternoon devoted to it. But

there are several points raised in Mr

La's minute published last

evening which demand attention. That

minute we feel sure will appeal to all

unprejudiced readers as a powerful but

restrained reply to the statements

made when the Amending Ordinance

was introduced. Mr Lau's minute

is of peculiar importance in that he

may be regarded as the spokesman

of the Chinese community and this

view is strengthened by Mr Fung Wa

Chun's minute on precisely similar

lines. The bill, if passed in its present

form will, according to Mr Lau's

minute, still further decrease the value

of land in Hong Kong. It is an indisput-
able fact that bad sanitary legislation

and worse administration have in the

past materially affected local land

values. This might possibly not worry

the Government to any great extent

were it not for the fact that it still

further depreciates the value of the

land by objectionable legislation it

will speedily find that its revenue is

suffering. It must not be supposed

for a moment that we consider that

the Government should not take the

necessary steps to preserve and main-
tain the health of the Colony, regard-

less of any interests which may suffer

in consequence. The health of the

Colony is the first and most important

concern. Where we join issue with

the Government is in regard to its

apparent belief that sanitary legisla-

tion to be effective must necessarily bear

heavily upon the costs of property

owners. We quite agree with Mr

Lau that the provisions of the bill

which remove certain powers from the

Sanitary Board to the Building Author-

ity are of more than questionable

wisdom. The Building Authority

is given almost autocratic power as, in

effect, no appeal can be made against

his decision. It would be infinitely

better in every way if appeals were

to continue to be made to the Sanitary

Board, and for the Board to recommend

the Governor to take the course deemed

desirable. By this method the pro-

perty owner who considered he had been

hardly treated would have his appeal

heard by an independent body. We

would imagine that the Director of Public

Works, who happens at the present time

to be the Building Authority, would

himself be glad to escape from the in-

vidious position of having, in effect, to

decide appeals from his own decision.

The questions of the Presidency of the

Board and the position that the Medical

Officer of Health should occupy need not

be specially dealt with now as we mean

to refer to them at a future date. The

answer to the charge that the Commis-

sion exceeded its reference is, in our

opinion, conclusive, but as that matter

will be fully discussed at the special

meeting, when, in all probability, much

more light will be shed upon it, we need

say no more than that we are convinced

that when the facts are fully understood,

it will be acknowledged that the Com-

mission merely fulfilled the duty en-

trusted to it. There is much more to

be said than Mr Lau's minute gives ex-

pression to but that minute is useful in

that it clears the ground of misconcep-

tions and shows the lines upon which

the Commissioners mean to conduct

their defence. We use the word defence

because it would be a mere quibbling

with definitions to assert that no attack

has been made on the Commission.

Fortunately or unfortunately the dis-

cussion of sanitary matters has develop-

ed in a particular direction and it would

be futile to pretend to ignore the fact

that two sets of views are being

brought up to the bar of public opinion.

When the final verdict is given there

must necessarily be heart-burning on

one side or the other. We believe how-

ever that, while the battle will be fought

with the utmost determination, the Co-

lony will reap the benefit in the shape

of a Health Ordinance which will be a

reasonable compromise between the pro-

posals of the Commission and those put

forward by the Government.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"I know of no truer friends of Japan

than the Americans."—Viscount Kentaro

Kaneko.

It is believed that the Seoul

Waterworks will be ready to commence

operations in August.

There are between 15,000 and 20,000

Chinese in Mexico whose investments

amount to several millions of dollars.

It is expected that the Shanghai

Sungking section of the Kiangsu Railway

Co.'s system will be open for traffic before

the end of April.

On the 13th ult., Japanese soldiers

attacked 130 insurgents north of Hoang

Sung District, Korea. 43 of the latter were

killed whilst 25 guns were captured. The

Japanese losses are not known.

The "Novoe Vremia" of St. Peters-

burg, commenting on the extensive pre-

parations for fortifying the Philippines,

says that vigour being displayed to that

end, indicates very clearly America's

determined purpose to support the prin-

ciple of the open door.

The "National Daily," a St. Louis

paper, tells of the sorrows of a mandarin

in some unspecified part of China. This

official is said to have paid his soldiers in

chopped-up paper money, in particular,

being short of cash. The soldiers thereupon

got their wives to bite the mandarin.

Biting not being an offence according to

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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The Peking Government intends to

establish a provincial government for Inner

Mongolia for the present.

The Chief Comptroller of the Im-

perial Maritime Customs has consented to

HOME RULE.

FAVOUR BY THE COMMONS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 31.

Mr John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalist Party, introduced a resolution in the House of Commons declaring that Parliament approved of Home Rule for Ireland.

The Acting Prime Minister, Mr Asquith, suggested an amendment by which it was made clear that the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament would be safeguarded.

In its amended form the resolution was agreed to upon division by 313 votes to 157.

PERSONA NON GRATA.

THE BERLIN INCIDENT.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, March 31.

It is semi-officially stated at Washington that one result of the difficulty which has arisen in connection with the appointment of Dr Hill as Ambassador at Berlin will be that Mr Powers, the present Ambassador, will return to America considerably earlier than originally intended.

(REUTER'S SERVICE.)

MACEDONIA.

Sir Edward Grey's Proposals Rejected.

LONDON, March 30.

A Parliamentary Paper on Macedonia shows that the Powers unanimously rejected Sir Edward Grey's proposals made in early February, Austria and Russia adding that the moment was singularly inopportune.

Sir Edward Grey, in a circular dated 3rd March, said that the situation was so serious that it called for immediate effective action, he therefore advanced the proposal of the 13th March. The non-adoption of such an attitude was equivalent to an admission that the Concert, as an instrument for reforms, had ceased to exist.

LATER.

The English papers praise Sir Edward Grey's exposition of British policy in Macedonia and complain of the weakness of the reasons for rejecting it; they charge the Powers with seeking their own ends, without considering the interests of Macedonia.

PRINCE VON BUELOW.

Visit to Austria.

LONDON, March 30.

Prince von Buelow had a half hour audience with the Emperor and afterwards a lengthy conference with Count Aehrenthal on pending questions.

THE SANITARY BOARD SECRETARY.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday the question of an acting secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Mr Woodcock on leave was mentioned.

Mr Shelton Hooper asked the President who had been appointed as Secretary in place of Mr Woodcock.

The President stated that no one had been selected at present, but he was in correspondence with the Government on the subject.

Mr Hooper: Are you in correspondence with the Government as head of the Administrative Department?

The President replied in the affirmative.

Mr Hooper: It is necessary that some one should be appointed immediately in order to carry out the statutory obligations imposed upon the Secretary of the Board.

THE AMENDING BILL.

To be Translated for the Chinese.

It may be remembered that when the Bill to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance was introduced the Chinese endeavoured to know what alterations the Government intended to make. Subsequently a meeting of the Chinese Commercial Union was held at which property owners decided to ask the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, M.L.C., and the Hon. Mr Wei Yuk, M.L.C., to write to the Government to translate the bill and all subsequent bills which are likely to affect Chinese for the information of the Chinese public. From a letter from the Colonial Secretary to the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, who has duly notified the Chinese community, it is gathered that the Government has agreed to accede to the request of the Chinese community.

Discussion at the Sanitary Board on the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Amending Bill has been postponed until Monday next.

THE BOYCOTT.

MEETING IN HONGKONG.

Owing to a general declaration of boycott against Japanese goods by the Chinese in the Colony, shopkeepers in Wing On Street (which street is entirely occupied by Japanese piece goods firms) met privately at the Tsui Nian Hotel yesterday to consider the advisability of entirely stopping Japanese orders. It has been pointed out that even if Japanese goods were ordered, nobody would ask for them at the moment. The disposal of the present stocks was discussed, and some said that even if the prices were reduced the stocks could not be sold in a day. It would be at least three months before substitutes would arrive from Europe.

THE NATIONAL DISGRACE SOCIETY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

FATSUAN, March 29.

Perhaps Fatsuan is the most influential place with regard to the present movement against Japan. The gentry and merchants here have adopted what is now known as the civilized method of continuing the boycott. For fear of official interference peaceful means are being resorted to to keep the boycott alive indirectly. Last night in the Kwong Fook Hospital, which is a public meeting place here, a grand reception was held. Lanterns bearing the inscription of "National Disgrace Society meeting," illuminated the streets. The circumstances attending the capture and release of the Tatsu Maru II, were laid before the populace. The "civilized" methods adopted are to carry on the boycott without making open declaration or inciting others to do it. The position was made known to the people and they were left alone to act on their own account. By so doing, the gentry are confident that the officials will not interfere, nor can the Japanese Minister in Peking make any objections.

THE R. I. M. S. NORTHBROOK.

The following details were embarked on R. I. M. S. Northbrook yesterday for passage to Taku. The vessel sailed to-day: Royal Garrison Artillery—Major F. H. Davidson, Captain R. H. F. McCulloch, Lieutenant R. F. Fitzroy, Lieutenant L. C. Larmour, Lieutenant N. C. S. Simpson.

Royal Engineers—Lieutenant B. E. Coke and wife.

2nd Cameron Highlanders—Captain P. T. C. Baird, 7 Non-commissioned officers and men, 1 Woman.

Army Service Corps—Expense Store Accountant, H. E. Louthier. Naval Ordnance Department—1st Class Writer Bishop.

Indulgence passengers.

BLACKMAILING.

Another European Firm Threatened.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 31. Successful or not bandit leaders keep on sending blackmailing letters to large firms, European and Chinese alike. It is not very long since that I reported that the notorious robber leader Wong Ho Ching sent a letter to the local branch of the International Banking Corporation demanding payment of an immense sum of money and threatening in the event of non-payment to take serious measures. Such things appear to have occurred so often that no importance is attached to them. As a matter of form the letters, as they came, were forwarded to the respective Consul of the country to which the threatened firm belonged, and the Chinese authorities were duly notified.

During the past few days another robber, evidently with a view to making a name, has sent out a number of blackmailing letters, and one of these, according to the head of the Canton Police, Yang Chak Sang, who, it is stated, has been informed of the fact, was addressed to Messrs Butterfield and Swire here demanding payment of \$10,000 within a limited date. The sender has signed himself as Tsui Sen.

It may be at once taken for granted that it is more for the purpose of gaining notoriety than to make money out of European firms, who would never yield to threatening epistles of this sort, that the letters are written.

Blackmailing of this description is very often done in the interior, especially among passenger junks running between the neighboring cities. Sometimes one robber covers a great distance, and as a matter of fact the owners of the junks always find it profitable to pay money to leaders of robber gangs. The robber in return guarantees that for a specified time the junks in question may ply to and fro unmolested, and at one time it was considered that much safer protection was thus afforded than could be expected from the officials themselves during the days when the waterways were not policed.

Chan Yui, charged with having committed a robbery in Chinese Territory, and wanted by the Chinese Government, was before Mr Hazlehurst this afternoon. The defendant was represented by Mr Jackson.

Quint O'Connor, shortly after I commenced taking reports. When that delicious preparation of cod liver oil, it stopped the cough, and is building up my health. So could you.

THE BURNING QUESTION.



THE TATSU MARU INCIDENT.

Death of the Captain.

The Captain of the Tatsu Maru II, Hirokichi Teramine, who remained at Canton when the vessel was released by the Chinese authorities last Saturday. It will be remembered that the Captain became seriously ill shortly after his vessel was seized.

The body was brought to Hongkong by the Kiyo Maru and the burial which took place yesterday was largely attended by local Japanese residents.

It is a singular coincidence that since the seizure of the vessel two of those prominently associated with the incident, Mr Knight of the Imperial Maritime Customs, and now the Captain of the steamer, have been claimed by death.

COMPANY MEETING.

Canton-Hankow Railway.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, March 31.

The ordinary annual meeting of the Canton-Hankow Railway Co. was held at the Company's premises at Wong-sha yesterday at 1.20 p.m. Mr Chan Chung Wan presided and there were also present Sir Chen Tung-Ling, Chairman of the committee of management, the Provincial Treasurer Wu; Chief Justice Chang; Captain Superintendent of the Canton Police Force; and some one hundred shareholders. The accounts of the Company for the year were presented and adopted. There were no questions from the shareholders and the meeting closed. It is considered that matters are now being conducted satisfactorily.

ROBBERY AT THE HONGKONG TREASURY.

Two Thieves Arrested.

Last night or early this morning a robbery was committed at the Treasury and bank notes and jewellery to the value of \$1,000 were carried away, a safe having been opened. It appears that the lost property belonged to one of the clerks of the Treasury, who looked it up in a spare safe. It is stated that the man did not wish to carry his keys with him and left them in his drawer. The thieves evidently knew this and while everybody was away they entered from the Supreme Court side, broke the drawer open, obtained the keys and opened the safe, carrying away all they could lay their hands on. The lost property consisted of gold bracelets, gold tooth-picks and bank notes. The matter was duly reported to the police, and to the surprise of the robbed man he found most of his articles in the hands of the police when he arrived at the station. Detective Terrell and his assistants arrested the man about to leave for Macao and when a search was made two gold bracelets were found hidden in his shoes. He was at once arrested. From the information supplied by this man another arrest was made. Detective Terrell is to be congratulated.

IMPERSONATING THE POLICE.

Six months' imprisonment and six hours in the stocks was the punishment meted out to a Chinaman at the Magistracy this morning for impersonating a policeman and demanding money by means. According to the story told by the police the defendant challenged a man on Tuesday night and declared that he was a policeman. The man was carrying a bundle which the pseudo-policeman asserted was stolen property and told the man he had better accompany him to the police station. The defendant then suggested that trouble might be averted by paying 50 cents, and followed his victim to the house, when the latter, becoming frightened, handed over the money. The stolen policeman fell into the hands of the police and he was punished as stated.

A TYPHOON ECHO.

The action was resumed before the Chief Justice, and a special jury to-day in view of the Kwong Tak Hong firm of 122 Des Voeux Road West claimed \$4,320 from the Yuen On Marine and Fire Insurance Company Ltd. The special jury consisted of Messrs Charles Henry Green, Alfred Holland Skelton, David Hackett, Edward Harvey Hinds, Donaldson Riddell Law, Henry Humphreys and William Murray Scott. The Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K. C. (assisted by Mr Dennis, of Messrs Dennis and Bowley), appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr A. Slade (assisted by Mr O. D. Thomson) for the defendants.

Plaintiffs claimed that in September, 1906, they entered into a written agreement with the defendants whereby the defendants, in consideration of the plaintiffs agreeing to pay them the usual guild rate of premium, agreed to insure certain goods of the plaintiffs which were then on board the junk "Wo Hop" in Hongkong Harbour, against the perils of the sea from Hongkong to Canton, from that hour—\$10 a month—about an hour later making the agreement the goods were wholly lost by the perils of the sea in Hongkong Harbour. The plaintiffs had duly tendered the premium in respect of the insurance and requested the defendants to pay the sum of \$4,320, but they had refused to accept the money or pay the loss on the goods.

Mr Slade opened the case for the defendants by explaining the office routine of Yuen On Company and, said that on the morning of the typhoon the manager went downstairs from his office and as he was walking through the office he was handed an application for the insurance of a bale of cloth on the same junk. He initialed it and returned it to the clerk who, in accordance with the practice in the office noted the time at which it was returned to him. That was five minutes past nine. The manager went out and had a look at the weather and came back in about half an hour. On going up to his desk he saw the application which was the subject of this case and he called to his clerk and informed him they could not accept the application in weather like that which was prevailing. He instructed his clerk to acquaint the applicants with this and straightway a message was sent to the plaintiffs that the insurance could not be effected. On these grounds the defendants denied that the goods were insured. It might be interesting to note what the company had done in regard to the policy which they had accepted but which had not been sent to the people who had made the application. The manager placed the matter before the directors who decided that as they had accepted the policy the only course open to them was to honour the claim. The manager was accordingly directed to pay, which they had accordingly done.

Evidence was then called on behalf of the defence.

COMMERCIAL.

Messrs E. S. Kadoorie and Co. are in receipt of telegraphic advices from Singapore informing them that the crushing of the Rand Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd., for the past period of four weeks yielded 1079 ozs. gold from 5821 tons stone.

The paper factory at Canton has not a very good year before it. The paper placed on the market does not find a very favourable acceptance. The factory is a government concern and the authorities are doing what they can to render assistance. It is proposed to reduce the export tax to see if any good will result.

A remarkable situation has arisen in Queensland through the operation of the new Australian tariff. The price of sugar in that sugar-producing colony is very high, yet so heavy was the last crop that it became necessary to find a market elsewhere. Before long the sugar merchants of Natal (herself a sugar producer) complained strongly of Queensland "dumping," and now they talk of shipping the imported product back to Queensland so as to take advantage of the high prices obtaining there. The Australian tariff, however, will prevent this.

The great depression in the cotton spinning market is evidenced by the fact that some 80,000 bales of yarn are lying in Osaka awaiting a market, whereas the general rule is that the demand for this staple is particularly brisk in March, April and May, says a Yokohama exchange. Mr Ida, of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, speaking of the columns of the Nippon, insists that the public are taking an altogether too gloomy view of the situation. The fact is that most of the cotton mills have shut down, and production having thus been largely diminished, there will be no danger in clearing off the stocks in hand so soon as a demand is developed. Mr Ida looks for a marked improvement within the next two or three months, especially since Japanese spinners gathered a valuable experience during the time of the Boxer troubles.

The piece-goods market has relapsed into a decidedly dull state again, with a weaker exchange, and hence quotations for cottons are steadily dropping away. The moderate promise there was that holders might be able to cut some of the losses which have been looming up before them for months past has now all but disappeared, and there is no inducement to go in for hoarding operations in the present uncertain state of the home market. Native operators have become very reticent and are contenting themselves with looking on, afraid to make offers lest they should be treated in the same way by buyers in home markets who found out to their cost. The whole trade is in altogether a too unstable position to encourage business either from stock or for forward delivery, and it is likely to be a case of buyers sitting on the fence, waiting for something to turn up to show which way the cat is going to jump.

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SPORTING.

The Gymkhana Club.

The first meeting of the 1908 Gymkhana season will take place on Saturday afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock. A programme of seven events has been arranged and the entries promise good sport. The most important race is the Gymkhana Stakes, for which there are ten entrants, including Blue Nile, Cockcomb and Astral.

The full list of entries is as follows:—Once Round.—For China Ponies Subscription Griffin of this Season 1907-1908 and all Ponies entered in the Hongkong Griffin Stakes and The Tientsin Stakes at the Hongkong Jockey Club Meeting 1908. Weight for inches as per scale. 1st Prize: "The Tree Cup," presented. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Mr J. Armstrong's Skirbeck, 155 lbs. ...
Mr Bruton's Lowlander, 157 lbs. ...
Mr F. B. Deacon's Lyn (late Butter-punch), 153 lbs. ...
Mr M'Donnell's Chota Sahib (late Gum Tree), 147 lbs. ...
Mr Modico's Sofiano Wood, 137 lbs. ...
Dr J. W. Noble's Strathnairn, 150 lbs. ...
Mr Wolf's Hampstead, (late Kirk-michael), 164 lbs. ...

GYMKHANA STAKES.—Value \$80. Distance one mile. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 10st 6lbs. A Cup called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented at the end of the Season to the winner by the Pony scoring most marks in the races for the Gymkhana Stakes at the Gymkhana Meetings during the Season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third.

Mr Bruton's Nutmeg (late Nutmeg Tree), 151 lbs. ...
Mr D. Dorabjee's Rubber Tree, 151 lbs. ...
Mr Dryadust's Cockcomb, 151 lbs. ...
Mr Dryadust's Earthquake (late Pine Tree), 151 lbs. ...
Mr Harideo's Grey Tick, 140 lbs. ...
Messrs Hough and Showan's Sider Tree, 146 lbs. ...
Mr R. F. C. Master's Blue Nile, 151 lbs. ...
Mr May's Astral, 151 lbs. ...
Dr J. W. Noble's Baluchi Chief, 146 lbs. ...
Mr Rolason's Homocoe, 151 lbs. ...

LADIES' NOMINATION: Tipping the ring. Nominating Lady to stand at a given point. Gentleman nominated to gallop past carrying a lance, as the gallops past nomination Lady to throw a ring which gentlemen nominated will endeavour to catch on his lance. Best of 3 runs. Points will be given for number of rings caught and for pace. 1st and 2nd Prizes presented by the Club. Post Entries.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE FLAT RACE.—For China Ponies Subscription-Griffins of any Season which have never won an official race. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won more than two official races in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin. Weight for inches as per scale. 1st Prize: "The Tree Cup," presented. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Mr J. Armstrong's Skirbeck, 155 lbs. ...
Mr W. G. Clarke's Abstarner, (late Drueckeberger), 152 lbs. ...
Mr F. B. Deacon's Lyn, (late Butter-punch), 153 lbs. ...
Mr Dryadust's Strathnairn, 146 lbs. ...
Mr M'Donnell's Chota Sahib, (late Gum Tree), 149 lbs. ...

WELTER RACE.—Half a Mile. For all China Ponies passed as such by the Committee of the Club. To be ridden by riders who have never ridden in an official race in Hongkong or China. Catch weights over 10st 6lbs. A Cup called the Jockey Club and members of both Services as well as to members of the Gymkhana Club. 1st Prize: A Cup, presented. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Lieut. G. Blatwick's Felix ...
Comdr. A. V. Campbell's Fleetfoot ...
Mr Charles Giff as last ...
Mr F. S. Clarke's So So ...
Mr Dryadust's Panjab ...
Mr W. B. Elwes' Kirkdale ...
Mr C. L. Maxwell's James ...
Mr G. E. Morrell's Kirkgunzen ...
Mr Wolf's Esperanto ...

ONE MILE AND A QUARTER FLAT RACE. HANDICAP.—For all China Ponies. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by Sir C. P. Chater, Kt., C.M.G. 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Mr Brutt's Silverlake, 146 lbs. ...
Mr D. Dorabjee's Rubber Tree, 157 lbs. ...
Mr Dryadust's Cockcomb, 157 lbs. ...
Do. Earquake (late Pine Tree), 157 lbs. ...
Mr Harideo's Grey Tick 157 lbs. ...
Mr H. F. Hickman's Mischief 145 lbs. ...
Messrs Hough & Showan's Sider Dhu, 150 lbs. ...
Mr R. F. C. Master's Blue Nile, 157 lbs. ...
Mr May's Astral, 155 lbs. ...
Dr J. W. Noble's Baluchi Chief, 146 lbs. ...
Do. Strathnairn, 145 lbs. ...
Mr Rolason's Homocoe, 146 lbs. ...

TAND RACE ONCE ROUND.—For all China Ponies. One Pony to be ridden and another driven unmounted. Driven Pony properly driven, to finish in front of ridden Pony or pair disqualified. Any competitor leading instead of driving will be disqualified. 1st Prize: A Cup, presented. 2nd Prize \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Lieut. G. Blatwick's Felix and Alphonse ...
Comdr. A. V. Campbell's Fleetfoot and Deerfoot ...
Mr Dryadust's Panjab and Spring-patam ...
Mr Reinbek's Moriz (late Desmond) and Max (late Finesse) ...
Mr Rolason's Box and Mr C. H. Ross' Kirkbean ...

Athletics.

THE V. R. C. MEETING.

The programme for the annual V. R. C. Athletic Sports is as follows:—120 yards flat race, handicap. Long jump. High jump. 220 yards flat race, handicap. Bicycle race, 2 miles.

Tug-of-war, open to non-commissioned officers and men of the navy, army, and police; 8 men a side, pull for 15ft. Best of 3 pulls. Regulation boots as issued to be worn; no sitting down; no holes to be dug in the ground before pulling. 100 yards flat race, challenge cup. Boys' race, 440 yards, for boys from 10 to 16 years of age.

Girls' race, 80 yards, for girls from 6 to 10 years of age. Hurdle race, 120 yards. 440 challenge cup. Half mile flat race, open to soldiers, sailors, and police.

Girls' race, 100 yards handicap, for girls from 10 to 15 years of age.

Half mile scratch race. Back race, 50 yards. Inter-club team race of 4, 220 yards, circular run.

Boys' race, 100 yards, for boys from 6 to 10 years of age. One mile flat race, handicap. Consolation race.

Compared with last year's programme there is one race less this year. Instead of two bicycle races—one and two miles respectively—there is one of two miles. The International team race has been deleted and an Inter-club team race substituted. This event—particularly as it is to be run round the circular track—should prove very interesting and should attract a large entry.

A change is announced in the Lusitano programme, the substitution of a 220 yards scratch race open to all amateurs, in place of the 440 open handicap.

On April 18 the Craigiegowrie Cricket Club will hold an "At Home" at the Valley, and a sports programme will be carried out. The Cricket League Shield will be presented to the winners during the afternoon.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Fig of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 1st at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen quickly in E. Japan, and fallen considerably over the E. coast of China, S.W. Japan and the Loochees.

The depression lying over N.E. Japan yesterday, is moving away over the Pacific. A new depression, which developed over the Lower Yangtze yesterday, is moving Eastwards in the Yellow Sea this morning. Variable winds, light to moderate, may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.
1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: Variable winds, light or moderate; foggy, some rain.
2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamouks: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

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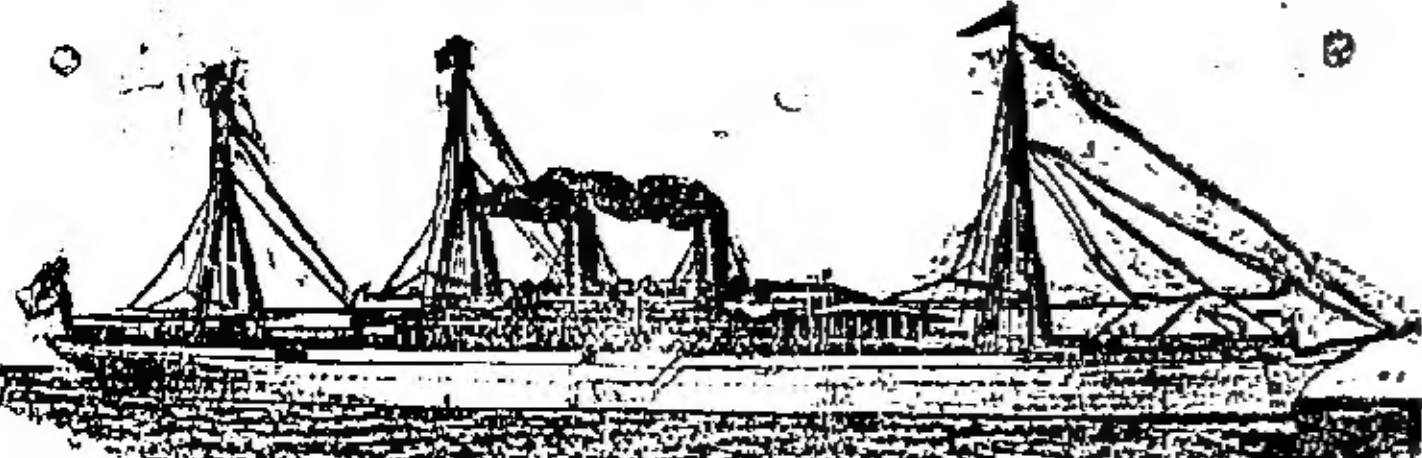
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	TAMBA MARU, Tons 6134	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., and S.E.A. T.T.E. West, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.	INABA MARU, Tons 6309	WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at Daylight.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1908.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	NIKKO MARU, Tons 5530	FRIDAY, 17th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5076	FRIDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	WAKABAYAMA MARU, Tons 4729	THURSDAY, 2nd April, at Noon.
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.	YAKASAKI MARU, Tons 4746	WEDNESDAY, 8th April, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.	BITACHI MARU, Tons 6761	SATURDAY, 4th April, at Daylight.
	KUMANO MARU, Tons 5076	WEDNESDAY, 16th April, at Noon.

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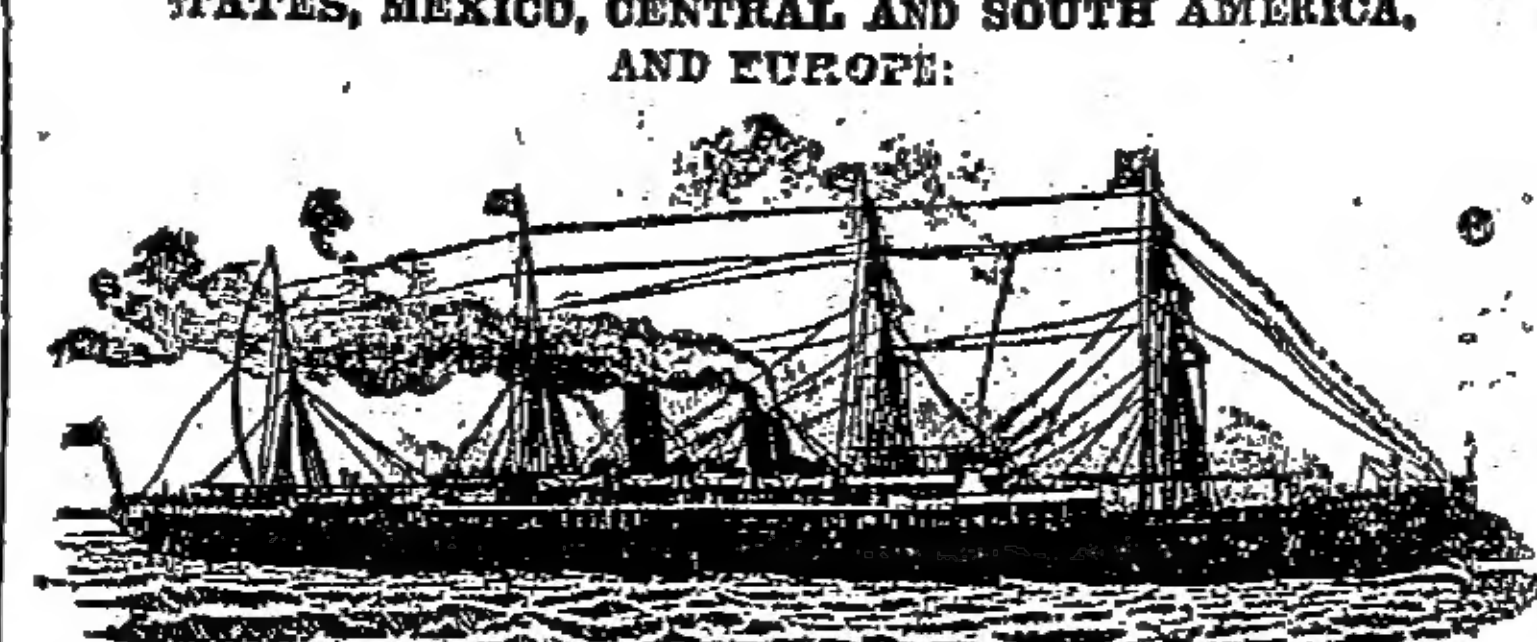
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SIBERIA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 12th April, at Noon.
CHINA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.
MANCHURIA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 2nd May, at Noon.
NIHON MARU	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 9th May, at Noon.
ASHI	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 16th May, at Noon.
MONSIEUR	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU	18,000 Tons, TUESDAY, 2nd June, at Noon.

RECORD FAST TRIPS. Yokohama to San Francisco, 18,000 tons, September 18-27th 1905; 10 days, 11 hours and 5 minutes.

San Francisco to Honolulu, 18,000 tons, August 18th-20th, 1905; 4 days, 19 hours.

San Francisco to Yokohama, 18,000 tons, calling at Midway Islands and Honolulu en route, August 16th-31st, 1905, 13 days, 13 hours.

Yokohama to San Francisco, 18,000 tons, Oct. 15th to 23rd, 1905; 10 days, 10 hours and 59 minutes.

THE P. M. Steamship KOREA will be despatched from Hongkong to SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA), KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 3rd April, 1908, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan and the United States.

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STEAMERS.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	TO SAIL ON, 1908.
ALESIA	5198	JOHN BERRY	9th April, at Noon.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR HONGKONG, HAIPHONG, NINGPO & SHANGHAI.

STEAMERS.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	TO SAIL ON, 1908.
SHANGHAI	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.
CEBU & ILOILO	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.
CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	18,000	YONGE	2nd April, at 4 p.m.

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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	Saturday, Apr. 5, at Noon.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	YATSHING	MONDAY, Apr. 2, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOJI	NAMSANG	FRIDAY, Apr. 3, at Daylight.
TIENTSIN	CHONGSHING	FRIDAY, Apr. 3, at Noon.
MANILA	YUEHANG	FRIDAY, Apr. 3, at 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	POORANG	FRIDAY, Apr. 10, at 3 p.m.

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For NAPIES, GENOA, ALGERS, PRINCESS ALICE, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP AND BREMEN.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL, 1908.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 8th April, at Noon.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	THURSDAY, 23rd April, at 5 p.m.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBÉ	FRIDAY, 3rd April, at Noon.
KULAT AND SANDAKAN	Middle of April.

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THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers	Due at Marseilles	Due at London
DELHI.....8000	April 4	MOLDAVIA.....10000	May 2	May 9
MALTA.....6000	April 18	HIMALAYA.....7000	May 16	May 23
DEVANHA.....8000	May 2	MONGOLIA.....10000	May 30	June 6
OCIANA.....7000	May 16	INDIA.....8000	June 14	June 21
DELHI.....8000	May 30	VICTORIA.....6500	June 28	July 5
DELHI.....8000	June 13	BRITANNIA.....6500	July 12	July 19
ARADIA.....7000	June 27	MOULTAN.....10000	July 26	Aug. 2
MALTA.....8000	July 11	CHINA.....8000	Aug. 9	Aug. 16
DEVANHA.....8000	July 25	MOLDAVIA.....10000	Aug. 23	Aug. 30
MARMORA.....10500	Aug. 8	HIMALAYA.....7000	Sept. 6	Sept. 13

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.
In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

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CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Due at London
BOENE.....5000	April 8	May 25
NOBE.....7000	May 6	June 23
JAPAN.....4500	May 20	July 6
SUMATRA.....5000	June 3	July 20
NAMUR.....7000	July 1	Aug. 17
SARDINIA.....5000	July 15	Aug. 31
NUBIA.....6000	Aug. 12	Sept. 28
SYRIA.....7000	Sept. 9	

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Hongkong, September 16, 1907.

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* FUKUSHU MARU, Capt. T. Ito.	ANPING, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY. WEDNESDAY, 1st April, at Daylight.
* SOSHU MARU, Capt. T. Saito.	SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW. THURSDAY, 2nd April, at 9 a.m.
* JOSHIN MARU, Capt. H. S. Smith.	TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY. SUNDAY, 6th April, at 9 a.m.

* These Steamers have excellent Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Saloon Ample, Unobstructed Table.
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CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH
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VICTORIA B.O. AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers	Tons	Captains	To Sail
* KUMERIC.....6232	Cowley	14th May	1908
* SHAWMUT.....9608	E. V. Roberts	28th May	
* TREMONT.....9608	T. W. Garlick	19th June	

* Cargo only. † Passenger accommodation.

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THE Steamship
EMPIRE.
Captain Hume, will be despatched on above on SATURDAY, the 25th April, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Machinery, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

By the above the additional comfort of passengers the steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, March 31, 1908. 501

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S STEAMER NORE.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUZEE AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed on instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd April, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

F. J. ABBOTT,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 27, 1908. 492

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
PRINZESSIN LUITPOLD.
Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns, and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Wednesday, the 25th of March, at Noon.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 1st of April, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 5th of April, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELOERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1908. 477

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship Arcton after having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1908. 483

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER ARMAND BEHC.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. Arcton and Doria; from Bordeaux ex s.s. Pilsde Lerit, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned, and the cargo will be undelivered after MONDAY, the 6th April, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 6th April, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 6th April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by J. MILLER.

J. MILLER,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 30, 1908. 493

SHAW ON DOCTORS.

A Humorous Address.

Mr Bernard Shaw was most diverting in his address at the Medical School in Hunter Street recently. He dared greatly in all he said about doctors, criticising every class of medical man with a freedom as fearless as it was amusing.

Socialism was the subject of his discourse. Before long he was applying it vigorously to the medical profession, declaring that until the State was responsible for the income of the doctor, he could not be a really independent man. At present he had more to do in trying to please his patients and in keeping up appearances than in curing by his art. The days of the witch-doctor and the charlatan are by no means over.

Many people were ready to go for relief to any one but a regular medical man, and it was not stupid commonplace persons who had recourse to Eugene Sandow and Eustace Miles, but the brilliant and clever men who thought, because these men treated them scientifically, while a doctor pulled out of his pocket a pill or a bottle supposed to cure each disease. Bernard Shaw asserted that the competition for bare life in the medical profession had demoralised the present day general practitioner. A friend of his had a large practice among householders who were considered wealthy if they had a pound a week. He had many night-calls, and the following questions were often asked through the speaking tub: "Who are you?" "Which road?" "Have you got the money?" "Bottle it against the tube," and when that welcome sound was heard, the doctor got up to attend the patient. These precautions he was obliged to take to earn any kind of a living, for too many of his fees were recovered through the County Court.

Long ago, when the Peculiar People were summoned for treating their children by prayer alone and letting them die without the intervention of a doctor, it was difficult to get a conviction, for it was impossible to get a doctor to swear that if he had been called in, the life of the child would have been saved. Nowadays, said Mr Shaw, any number will leap blithely into the box and swear that they could have cured the child.

The Christian Scientist flourishes on the simple beliefs of people who have no faith in medicine. If you want to see a doctor become a lunatic before your eyes, declare Mr B. Shaw, ask him, when he is inveighing against Christian Scientists as murderers, if he had never lost a patient from diphtheria or any other disease! This, and much more the speaker committed himself to, rubbing into his audience much against their will, that true socialism if adopted by the State in reference to medicine would render doctors free and independent men.

At present they lived on the illness of the public, they would then draw their income from the public health. Doctors, of all people, should long for the even distribution of wealth, for no sooner was a man comfortably off than he started a disease and a doctor. The poor, who can't pay, have the diseases right enough and give the doctors plenty of work, which to their honour is frequently done for charity. It is often heart-breaking to the kind man to order good food and sanitary conditions for a poor patient when he knows that he might as well order a yacht or a motor car. Mr Shaw girded at the Liberator's period of medicine, when the germ theory began to rule. He would as soon see an alligator at his bedside as one of these gentlemen. There are, again, the health officers who judge by statistics which are really hopelessly misleading.

The anti-vaccinationists are only equalled in absurdity by the vaccinationists and those of the Tariff Reformers by the Free Traders. He once tried to palm off statistics on Sir Wilfrid Lawson by telling him the gloomy news that fifty per cent. of the teetotalers in an Indian regiment were dead, and the fifty per cent. vaccinated, home. Sir W. Lawson, being a politician, knew the net value of statistics, and discovered the fact that there were only two teetotalers in the regiment, one of whom was killed and then by a tiger and the other tripped and broke a leg stepping on board a trooper and reached home as an invalid. Altogether Mr Bernard Shaw contrived to amuse, if he did not convince his audience.

Notices to Consignees.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON, ANTWERP, COLOMBO & STRAITS.

THE Steamship
BROOKSHIRE.
Captain Tomlinson, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1908. 484

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship Nanyang, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 2nd April, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 31, 1908. 489

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, March 26th, 1908.
At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Beef steaks and prime cut—Mei Lung Pa... lb 10

Roast—Shia... lb 10

Breast—Naga Lam... lb 15

Soup—Tong Yui... lb 15

Steak—Naga Yui... lb 19

Outom Naga Lam Shikha... lb 28

Sausages—Naga Chang... lb 26

Bullcock's Brain—Slow... per set 10

Tongue—Naga Lam... lb 10

Roast—Naga Lam... lb 15

Heart—Naga Lam... lb 12

Hump—Naga Lam... lb 19

Feet—Naga Lam... each 7

Kidneys—Naga Yui... lb 10

Tail—Naga Lam... lb 17

Liver—Naga Lam... lb 12

Tripe (undressed)—Naga Lam... lb 10

Calves Head & Feet—Naga Lam... set 7.00

Mutton Chop—Young Fat Kwai... lb 22

Leg—Young Fat Kwai... lb 20

Shoulder—Young Fat Kwai... lb 22

Pigs' Chittings—Chi chong... lb 23

Brain—Chi Kwai... per set 12

Foot—Chi Kwai... lb 12

Fry—Chi Kwai... lb 15

Head—Chi Kwai... lb 18

Heart—Chi Kwai... each 7

Kidneys—Chi Kwai... lb 8

Liver—Chi Kwai... lb 15

Pork Chop—Chi Kwai... lb 23

Cornd—Ham Chi Kwai... lb 24

Leg—Chu Kwai... lb 24

Fat or Lard—Chu Kwai... lb 18

Shops' Head and Feet—Young Fat Kwai... set 5.00

Heart—Young Fat Kwai... each 6

Kidneys—Young Fat Kwai... lb 10

Liver—Young Fat Kwai... lb 22

Sucking Pig, To Order—Chu Kwai... lb 20

Snout, Beef—Sang Naga Lam... lb 22

Mutton—Sang Naga Lam... lb 24

Veal—Naga Lam... lb 20

Sausages—Naga Lam... lb 20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Kwai... lb 30

Oxpen, Large, Small—Sai Kwai... lb 28

Ducks—A... lb 24

Doves—A... each 16

Eggs, Hen—Kai Kwai... per dozen 32

Fowls, Canton—Kai Kwai... lb 32

Barnyard—Hoi Nam Kwai... lb 28

Geese—Ngai... lb 20

Goose, Wild—Sai Kwai... pair 20

Meat Deer—Wong Kwai... each 20

Goat, Shanghai—Tui Kwai... lb 20

Partridge—Chi Kwai... lb 60

Pheasant—Shan Kwai... pair 20

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kwai... each 35

Hollow—Hoi Kwai Pak Kwai... lb 32

Quail—Um Kwai... lb 24

Rice Birds—Wo Kwai... dozen 20

Snipe—Sai Kwai... each 25

Turkeys, Cook—Poh Kwai Kwai... lb 60

Han... lb 45

Wild Ducks, S'hai—Shanghai Sal-pai... lb 75

Seal—Sai Kwai... lb 75

Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Kwai Sal-pai... \$1.10

Fish.

Barbel—Kai Kwai... lb 10

Bream—Bin Kwai... lb 13

Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Kwai... lb 14

Carp—Li Kwai... lb 13

Crabs—Chi Kwai... lb 11

Crabs—Men Kwai... lb 14

Crabs—Hoi Kwai... lb 16

Cuttle Fish—Mak Kwai... lb 13

Dab—Sai Kwai... lb 14

Dace—Wong Kwai Kwai... lb 11

Dog Fish—Tui Kwai... lb 9

Eels, Canton—Hoi Kwai Kwai... lb 24

Fresh water—Tui Kwai Kwai... lb 13

Sole, Yellow—Wong Kwai...

AUSTRALIAN NEWS.

[FROM LATEST FILLS.]

A magnificent field is being opened up at Lightening Ridge near Narrabri, N.S.W. The oil bearing country extends a distance of 50 miles.

During a cyclone at Pilliga, N.S.W., a tank of capacity of 800 gallons was lifted from its stand, carried over a 5 foot fence and blown half a mile away.

Mr. Sinclair, a member of the Federal Parliament, says that a change of Government is imminent.

A movement to present Mr. M. A. Noble, who captured the Australian alone in the test matches with a testimonial is being enthusiastically taken up in the Australian States.

The Commonwealth Parliament and many of the State Governments such messages of condolence to the Melbourne of the Melbourne, who was the first Governor General of Australia.

Challenges have been received by the Town Tennis Association of Australia from the Tennis Association of America to play for the Davis Cup, now held by Australasia.

Angler strikes reported at Newcastle, N.S.W. culprits. The employees at Murrumbidgee, have also been striking owing to the employment of non-residents.

The Premier of Queensland, Mr. Kitchin, is proceeding on a visit to London in July.

Australia's overseas wheat shipment for the season was about 64 million bushels.

Madison-Simpson Portland has commenced its campaign in Australia in May, 1908.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to study the question of improving the means of communication in the north-western part of the State and to report thereon.

The Commission of the South Australian Commission that, owing to the increase of the Commission's activities, to whom the public had come to obtain information, an opportunity of up-to-date information is being given.

To-day's Advertisements

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Handwritten. April 1908.

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NAVAL HOSPITAL STEWARD CURED.

Of Psoriasis Contracted While in Service in West Indies—Left Scaly Surfaces on Lower Limbs—Eczematous Eruption Followed—Nothing Gave Permanent Relief.

SUFFERED 23 YEARS CURED BY CUTICURA

"I suffered for years from psoriasis affecting the outer sides of the thighs, contracted in the West Indies in 1885, and was cured by CUTICURA."

As a sickly child, I was cured by CUTICURA, and it has since cured me of many other ailments, including psoriasis, eczema, and various skin diseases.

For about nine months, but the disease continued for years, and eventually left a scaly surface surrounding the thighs. In 1905, I tried CUTICURA, and it cured me of the disease.

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